

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: BRÖCKER ET AL	DOCKET No.: 50487
SERIAL No.: 09/629,482	CONFIRMATION No.: 4024
FILING DATE: 07/31/2000	EXAMINER: DANG, THUAN D.
CUSTOMER No.: 26474	ART UNIT: 1764
FOR: ISOTHERMAL OPERATION OF HETEROGENEOUSLY CATALYZED THREE PHASE REACTIONS	

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Petition for Withdrawal from issue under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2)

Sir:

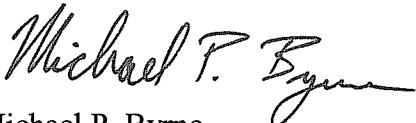
According to 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2), after the issue fee has been paid, an application may be withdrawn from issue upon petition by the applicant for consideration of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with § 1.114. The enclosed RCE is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (a)(1), which allows for the filing of a submission and the fee of \$810.00 set forth in § 1.17(e) after payment of the issue fee, if a petition under § 1.313 is granted.

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(a), this petition includes the fee of \$130.00 set forth in § 1.17(h), and the following showing of good and sufficient reasons why withdrawal of the application from issue is necessary.

Withdrawal of the application from issue is necessary in order to consider the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement.

Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including Extension of Time fees, to Deposit Account 14.1437. Please credit any excess fees to such account.

Respectfully submitted,
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